Service Change Notice

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Subject: New NOAA Weather Wire Service (NWWS) During 2014

The National Weather Service is continuing the upgrade of NOAA Weather Wire Service (NWWS) to disseminate weather products to the public. A new NWWS will be commissioned during 2014. The new NWWS will operate concurrently with the current NWWS system for a period of time before the current NWWS system contract is terminated after March 2014 at the earliest. For the latest news and information about this change, please consult the Weather Wire website at:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/nwws/newnwws.html

With the new system, C-band satellite users can continue to use the outdoor antennas they have in place (which will not require re-pointing), but will require a new satellite receiver, new Low Noise Block Converter (LNB), and new (or modified) weather data processing/display software. Internet (Open Interface) users will need the new (or modified) processing/display software.

The current NWWS system, operated under contract with Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC), will continue to operate into 2014. CSC may or may not continue Weather Wire satellite and open-interface services to users after government contract termination.

Updates will be posted on the NWWS web site above as soon as additional information is available on the status of these changes.

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